# **FISCAL NOTE**

**Bill #:** HB0077 **Title:** Post conviction DNA testing

Primary Sponsor: Jent, L Status: As Introduced - Revised

Sponsor signature	Date	Chuck Swysgood, Budget I	Director Date
Fiscal Summary		FY 2004 Difference	FY 2005 Difference
Expenditures: General Fund		\$0	\$0
Revenue: General Fund		\$0	\$0
Net Impact on General Fund Balance:		\$0	\$0
Significant Local Gov. Impact		Technical Concerns	
☐ Included in the Executive Budget ☐ Dedicated Revenue Form Attached		<ul><li>☐ Significant Long-Term Impacts</li><li>☐ Needs to be included in HB 2</li></ul>	

# **Fiscal Analysis**

### **ASSUMPTIONS**:

#### **Judiciary**

- 1. This bill would allow individuals serving a term of incarceration for a felony to receive DNA testing to dispute the conviction.
- 2. Specific requirements qualifying inmates for the test are enumerated in the bill.
- 3. The bill requires the state to pay for DNA tests where petitioners (inmates) are unable to pay. Therefore there is no fiscal impact to the judicial branch.

# **Department of Corrections**

- 4. A total of 61 percent (1380 of 2260 on 12/24/02) of incarcerated felons have DNA samples on record. The number in the unsampled group who did not plead guilty is undetermined. Cost per DNA test is \$2.50 for a kit and \$75 to \$100 for processing, depending on the sample.
- 5. Providing legal assistance in petition preparation increases the DOC legal contracted services by \$1,200 per annum.
- 6. There will be no significant fiscal impact to the DOC beyond the recommended budget.

# **Department of Justice**

7. The fiscal impact to the department will be absorbed with existing resources.